



WSATA Annual Business Meeting
Friday, March 14th, 2025 - 5:15pm, Salon A

- Introduction and Welcome
- Ciara called the meeting to order at 5:14pm
- Attendance: overall 200 WA ATs in attendance at NWATA this year.
- Business meeting attendance: 130
- Ciara introduced special guests Kasee Hildenbrand, Nick Cromidas and Tamesha Logan from the NATA.

- Secretary's Report
 - Approval of 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve: Dani Tang
 - Second: Kayla S.
 - Discussion: none
 - Motion to approve 2024 meeting minutes passes.
 - Membership Numbers, as of March 11th, 2025 - see table below.

Category	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Certified	627	627	614	579	525	523	497	487
Associate	19	17	66	2	5	9	8	11
Retired Certified	36	40	41	52	61	61	70	70
Honorary	4	4	1	3	3	3	3	3
Student	100	99	66	111	120	102	113	104
Student Graduate (dissolved as of 2020)	14	25						
Student Certified	16	12	4	29	19	9	13	11
Licensed Professional (new as of 2020)			1	1	0	1	1	2
Career Starter Certified (dissolved as of 2020)	39	49						
TOTAL	856	873	793	777	733	708	705	688

- Treasurer's Report
 - Current Assets, as of 3/6/25
 - Umpqua Checking - \$6,134.12
 - Umpqua Savings - \$202.01

- Live Oak Savings - \$41,219.46
 - Total - \$47,555.59
 - Overview of 2024 income and expenses, shared via presentation slides.
 - Income from dues and annual meeting
 - Largest expense is our Lobbyist and legislative activity.
 - Plan to save roughly \$4,000 - \$5,000 per year to support any upcoming practice act changes.
 - 2024 Budget
 - Cynthia asked for questions regarding budget/expenses, no questions.
- Vice President's Report
 - WSATA State Meeting Update
 - Josh invites the membership to join us for the annual meeting June 14th, 2025 in Puyallup, WA at MultiCare University.
 - Interested in speaking, please let the board know. Josh announced two of the confirmed speakers and thanked the sponsors who have already committed.
 - Updating Policies and Procedures Manual
 - Josh is working on updating this to ensure it is current.
 - Committee Chair Expectations
 - Working on a document to provide clear expectations for committee chairs.
- Region Representative's Report
 - Region Breakout Session
 - Julie reports we will host a touch base immediately following this meeting to determine how we can serve the members.
 - Mentorship - Pilot Program
 - Will be looking for mentors/mentees to support members. Julie asking for volunteers.
- Committee Updates
 - Public Relations - Call for Applications
 - Kelsey is outgoing PR chair after 6 years, looking for volunteers to replace her in this role. Call for applications will be coming out in the next few weeks.
 - Ongoing ask for content.
 - DEIA
 - Madeline unable to attend, but would like committee members to assist in the work of the committee. Reach out via email if interested.
 - Continuing Education - Open Position
 - Ciara asked for volunteers to assist with the annual meeting planning to replace former chairs - Todd Yamauchi and Jason Hand.
 - COPA
 - Chelsea Hanes
 - Governmental Affairs
 - Courtney reports as the new GA chair, is still learning but is up and running with meetings with GA chairs from other states.

- HB1868 - out of Pullman to push for access to ATs, however due to budget shortfalls with K-12 funding this bill has died.
 - Support Access to Quality Healthcare For All Washingtonians, support safety amongst all athletes, support ATs working to the full scope.
 - If interested in volunteering for the GA committee, please reach out.
 - Secondary Schools
 - Kim reminded the membership who the region representatives are divided up by the WIAA district. Invited those present to stand and be recognized.
 - Kim congratulated our Medco Tape Grant recipients - there were five schools who received the grants
 - Jessie Ihly & Samm Estes - Pasco
 - Gable Lacy - Shelton
 - Michael O'Bryan - Nooksack Valley
 - Courtney Crane - Grandview
 - Andrea Goodwin - North Central
 - SMAC update: working on transparency around who is at State Tournaments, etc. The concussion return to play form has been updated to include the statement that the provider must sign stating there is no concussion diagnosed if that is the case.
 - Kim reports an update on white paper through the NATA SSATC regarding benefits, compensation, work hours, etc, and is available on the NATA website.
 - Honors and Awards - Craig Bennett expressed appreciation for the nominations received for this year's awards.
 - Difference Maker - Denton Norwood
 - Excellence in Service - Jason Hand and Todd Yamauchi
 - Physician Award - Cora Bruener, MD
 - Dr. Bruner took a moment to express gratitude for the recognition
 - Hall of Fame
 - Craig recognized our Hall of Famers. Encouraged students to go talk to the HOF members.
 - Craig announced that we will be inducting Chandra Lovejoy into the WSATA Hall of Fame in June.
- Service Awards - Josh Holliday recognized our outgoing committee chairs.
 - Julie Leslie, Outgoing Region 2 Representative
 - Jason Hand & Todd Yamauchi, Continuing Education Chairs
- Election Results -
 - Region 2 Representative - Ken Ahlstrom was introduced by Josh as the incoming Region 2 Representative.
- President's Report
 - Coalition Collaboration
 - WIAA, WSCA, WSSAAA

- Ciara put out a survey regarding WIAA updates. This was posted on facebook, with very few responses.
 - Asking for feedback on what ATs are seeing and what can coaches do to assist - reducing injuries, etc. They would like ATs to present to the coalitions regarding sport specific care. Ciara has a meeting with the coaches association on Sunday and will take feedback to that meeting.
 - DOH
 - Athletic Training Advisory Committee - Update from Kasee Hildenbrand, chairperson
 - Kasee reports that the Committee has fewer members than the Boards or Commissions with the DOH. They work as an advisory group, so are given input into the rules created around practice acts, however are not able to write the rules. They do not investigate any complaints regarding ATs working outside of scope, unlicensed practice.
 - Renewal Demographics: with update, you will be required to answer a set of demographic questions when renewing your license. These are the same questions for all healthcare professions and not specific to athletic trainers.
 - SHIRT Program and Research
 - Student Head Injury Reporting Tool - department of health currently looking into revising this and include athletic trainers as evaluators for concussion. Ciara is working with Stan Herring, MD, as well as Cynthia Wright.
 - Open Positions
 - Public Relations
 - Continuing Education
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 - WSATA Clinical Symposium on June 14th, 2025 at MultiCare University
 - NATA Meeting, 2025 in Orlando, FL
 - BOC Reporting Year
 - WSATA Fundraising Efforts
 - \$1400 raised today with raffle and table sales.
 - LMNT donated sample packs, please tag them on social media to recognize their contribution to our association.

- New Business

Secretary and Vice President Positions open in 2026.

Raffle Winners:

Chai Art: Chelsea Hanes

Hydration: Nick Cromidas

3. Dani Moffitt

4. Lisa Kenney - Air BnB in Walla Walla

5. Mike F. - wine basket

In meeting raffle winner: Michael Lycan

Please join us in Puyallup June 14th for the WSATA Meeting.

Motion to Adjourn

Courtney Hanes moved to adjourn the 2025 business meeting

Second: Kelsey Dill

Discussion: none

Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 6:12pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Kenney, WSATA Secretary